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3	In the Matter of:) Docket No. 98A-043-INS
4	DIANA CASTANEDA) ORDER
5	Respondent.)
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On July 9, 1998, the Office of Administrative Hearings, through Administrative Law Judge Lewis D. Kowal, submitted Recommended Decision of Administrative Law Judge ("Recommended Decision"), a copy of which is attached and incorporated by this reference. The Director of the Arizona Department of Insurance has reviewed the Recommended Decision and enters the following order:

- 1. Recommended findings of fact ¶ 1 and ¶¶ 3-10 and all of the conclusions of law are adopted.
 - 2. Recommended finding of fact ¶ 2 is amended to correct a clerical error:
 On April 26, 1995, Ms. Castaneda filed an application for a life and disability
 insurance agent license (the "Application") with the Department.
 - 3. All insurance licenses issued by the Department to Diana Castaneda are revoked.

NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS

The aggrieved party may request a rehearing with respect to this Order by filing a written petition with the Office of Administrative Hearings within 30 days of the date of this Order, setting forth the basis for such relief pursuant to A.A.C. R20-6-114(B).

The final decision of the Director may be appealed to the Superior Court of Maricopa County for judicial review pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-166. A party filing an appeal must notify the Office of

1	Administrative Hearings of the appeal within ten days after filing the complaint commencing the appeal,
2	pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.10.
3	DATED this 16 of July, 1998
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IN THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

In the Matter of:

No. 98A-043-INS

DIANA CASTANEDA,

OA, RECOMMENDED DECISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE

Respondent.

LAW JUDGE

HEARING: June 23, 1998

APPEARANCES: Assistant Attorney General Michael J. De La Cruz on behalf of the Arizona Department of Insurance; Diana Castaneda on her own behalf

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Lewis D. Kowal

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Diana Castaneda ("Ms. Castaneda") also known as Diana Herrera is currently and was, at all material times, licensed as a life and disability agent by the Arizona Department of Insurance (the "Department").
- 2. On April 26, 1998, Ms. Castaneda filed an application for a life and disability insurance agent license (the "Application") with the Department.
- 3. Section D of the Application asks for the applicant to provide "the name, address and telephone number for each place of business at which applicant intends to principally conduct transactions under his/her insurance license."
- 4. Ms. Castaneda listed "Berglund Agency, Inc Insurance" [sic] in response to Section D of the Application as the agency Ms. Castaneda intended to principally conduct the business of insurance.
- 5. On March 31, 1998, Ms. Castaneda filed an application to renew her individual insurance agent license (the "Renewal Application"). Section I(F) of the Renewal

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Application asks the applicant to "Write the name of the business from which you shall be transacting insurance". Ms. Castaneda listed Berglund Insurance Agency ("Berglund") in response to that question.

- 6. The evidence of record established that Ms. Castaneda has never worked for or in any capacity been affiliated with Berglund.
- 7. Ms. Castaneda credibly testified that at the time she completed the Application and the Renewal Application, she did not intend to work for Berglund and had never contacted Berglund concerning the prospect of employment with that agency.
- 8. Ms. Castaneda completed the Application and Renewal Application in the manner as set forth above on the advice of her husband, Franco Castaneda, who is licensed as an insurance agent in the State of Arizona.
- 9. Section II of the Renewal Application asks the applicant to "List the EXACT, FULL NAMES of all Arizona-admitted insurance companies (Carriers) you are authorized to represent subject to issuance of the license for which you are applying (A.R.S. 20-291(E)." In response to that question, Ms. Castaneda listed Met Life, Jackson National and Kemper Mutual.
- 10. Ms. Castaneda never represented and was never authorized to represent Metropolitan life Insurance Company ("Met Life"), Jackson National Life Insurance Company ("Jackson National") or Zurich Kemper Life ("Kemper Mutual").

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Ms. Castaneda's conduct as set forth above, constitutes a willful violation of, or noncompliance with, any provision of Arizona Revised Statutes, Title 20, within the meaning of A.R.S. §20-316(A)(2).
- 2. Ms. Castaneda's conduct as set froth above, constitutes a misrepresentation or fraud in obtaining or attempting to obtain any insurance license, within the meaning of A.R.S. §20-316(A)(3).
- 3. Based on the above, grounds exist for the Director of the Department (the "Director") to suspend, revoke or refuse to renew Ms. Castaneda's insurance license, or impose a

civil penalty, pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 20-316(A) and 20-316(C).

RECOMMENDED ORDER

It is recommended that the Director revoke all insurance licenses issued by the Department to Diana Castaneda.

Done this day, July 9, 1998.

Lewis D. Kowal

Administrative Law Judge

Original transmitted by mail this 10 day of 1998, to:

Mr. John A. Greene, Director Department of Insurance 2910 North 44th Street, Ste. 210 Phoenix, AZ 85018

Attention: Curvey Burton

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